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SUBJECT:INTER-AMERICAN SPECIALIZED CONFERENCE ON PRIVATE  
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1. WE AGREE WITH EFFORTS TO DISCOURAGE YET ANOTHER MEETING ON MNC'S (PARA. 2 REFTTEL), BUT DO NOT BELIEVE OAS BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS OFFER SUFFICIENT GROUNDS TO HOLD UP PROPOSED MEETING. FYI, ANY OAS PERMANENT COUNCIL DELEGATION CAN PROPOSE FUNDS BE APPROPRIATED FROM WORKING (RESERVE) FUND FOR UNANTICIPATED EXPENSE OCCASIONED BY A NEW ACTIVITY. IF THERE IS MAJORITY SUPPORT AMONG DELEGATIONS TO APPROVE THE MEETING ITSELF, THERE IS LIKELY TO BE THE NECESSARY TWO-THIRDS SUPPORT FOR THE SPECIAL APPROPRIATION.

2. USDEL MIGHT CONSIDER FOLLOWING ARGUMENTS AGAINST PROPOSED MEETING, WHICH WE ASSUME WOULD BE HELD TO CONSIDER ONLY LEGAL ASPECTS MNC'S AND WOULD BE AT EITHER INTER-GOVERNMENTAL LEVEL OR PERHAPS EXPERT LEVEL.

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A) THIS TOPIC NOW BEING CONSIDERED IN UN; IN OAS PUR-

SUANT TO RESOLUTION 167 OF LAST OAS ASSEMBLY, AND IN  
WORKING GROUP OF INFORMAL MEETINGS FONMINS TO REPORT TO  
BUENOS AIRES. THIS IS EVIDENCE THAT SUCH A MULTIPLICITY  
OF MEETINGS HAS ALREADY STRAINED THE HUMAN RESOURCES OF  
MEMBER GOVERNMENTS AND INCREASED PROBLEMS OF COORDINATION

OF PURPOSES AND ACTIONS AS BETWEEN ONE MEETING AND ANOTHER.

B) ANOTHER MEETING ON THE SAME SUBJECT, EVEN IF CON-  
FINED TO LEGAL ASPECTS, WOULD PLACE ADDITIONAL BURDEN ON  
AVAILABLE PERSONNEL AND THREATEN TO INTRODUCE ADDITIONAL  
CONFUSION, AS LEGAL ASPECTS CANNOT BE DIVORCED FROM SUB-  
STANTIVE ASPECTS.

C) IN ANY CASE, CIDIP ITSELF LACKS AUTHORITY TO CON-  
VOKE ANOTHER MEETING. AS A SPECIALIZED CONFERENCE, CIDIP  
CAN MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THIS SUBJECT TO OAS PERMANENT  
COUNCIL, WHERE ALL ASPECTS OF PROPOSAL COULD BE CONSIDERED.

3. WE RECOMMEND USDEL DECLARE ITSELF NOT AUTHORIZED TO  
SUPPORT CONVOCAION OF ADDITIONAL MEETING AND URGE PRO-  
PONENTS TO FRAME THEIR IDEAS WITH SPECIFICITY AS TO  
CHARACTER, LEVEL, AND PURPOSES OF MEETING, IN RECOM-  
MENDATION ADDRESSED TO PERMANENT COUNCIL.

4. INFORMATION REQUESTS PARA. 4 REFTTEL BEING SENT SEP-  
ARATELY. INGERSOLL

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